

CITY ITEMS

AMUSEMENTS.—Benefit of the American Dramatic Fund.—The American Dramatic Fund Association takes place this evening at the Academy of Music. The members of the profession turn out in unusual strength, if we may judge from the list of names advertised. Almost all the members of the profession of New York, and very many from other cities have volunteered their services to make the bill for the evening as attractive as possible. So great a variety of entertainments are offered that the tastes of every one must be met. The most unique feature of the occasion will be an allegorical pageant entitled "Shakespeare's Dream," in which will be introduced all the characters of Shakespeare's plays appropriately apparelled. This is the production of Mr. John Brougham, and if that gentleman has the ordering of things to his mind, we may expect something of a high order of excellence.

THE GREAT CRICKET MATCH.—Some apprehensions have been caused as to the probability of the match between Canada and the United States being played, in consequence of a protest signed by W. P. Pickens, the Canada eleven of 1888 announce their arrival in New York to contend against the United States eleven on Monday (to-day), at 10 a. m.

CITY MORTALITY.—We learn from the report of the City Inspector that there were 688 deaths in the city during the past week, being an increase of 17 over those of the previous week, and an increase of 177 compared with the corresponding week of last year, and 48 less than in the corresponding period of 1886. Of the entire number 529 were ten years of age and under, and 67 inmates of the public institutions. The following table shows the number of deaths during the past two weeks among adults and children, distinguishing the sexes:

Among the principal causes of death were the following: Bronchitis, 5; consumption, 60; convulsions, 40; cholera infantum, 167; diarrhoea, 41; dysentery, 17; dropsy in the head, 31; inflammation of the bowels, 12; inflammation of the lungs, 13; inflammation of the brain, 17; malarious (fever), 31; measles, 7; scarlet fever, 10. There were also 3 deaths of apoplexy, 6 of cholera morbus, 9 of congestion of the brain, 10 of congestion of the lungs, 5 of croup, 6 of heart disease, 16 of hooping cough, 6 of scrofula, 5 of tetanus, 4 of smallpox, 7 premature births, 46 stillborn, and 19 from violent causes, including 1 suicide and 7 drowned.

The following is a classification of the diseases, and the number of deaths in each class of disease during the week: Buses, joints, &c., 3; brain and nerves, 117; generative organs, 2; heart and blood-vessels, 13; lungs, throat, &c., 13; old age, 3; skin, &c., 4; eruptive fevers, 24; still-born and premature births, 47; stomach, bowels and other digestive organs, 322; uncertain seat and general fevers, 41; urinary organs, 4. Total, 698.

The number of deaths, compared with the corresponding weeks in 1886 and 1887, was as follows:

Week ending July 24, 1888..... 70
Week ending July 24, 1887..... 57
Week ending July 24, 1886..... 72

CHARGE OF NAME.—During the late division among the Free Masons there were two lodges known as the St. John's Lodge. On account of the union of the rival Grand Lodges, St. John's Lodge, No. 609, under the Herring jurisdiction, has taken the name of Antiquity Lodge, No. 11. It is also rumored that the Grand Master has granted a dispensation to a portion of the original petitioners for the organization of the Lodge in honor of Dr. Kane.

NUISANCES IN NEWTON CREEK.—A dead horse has been lying on the east bank of Newtown Creek, just above Perry Bridge, for some days past, and has become so offensive as to be almost insufferable to passengers by the Flushing Railroad, on their way to and from the city.

CONTESTING UNITED STATES COIN.—About a month or more ago Officer Barker of the Twenty-second Precinct received information from a private source that several parties in the upper section of the city were engaged in manufacturing spurious coins, which fact he investigated to Captain Connelley, who detailed him to investigate the matter. From time to time Officer Barker obtained further facts, and having fully completed his arrangements, determined upon making a descent on the parties. Officer Stevens was detailed to assist Officer Barker, and yesterday morning they arrested three men named Daniel Murphy, Thomas Riley and Robert Murphy, at their respective residences, Forty-seventh street, near the Eighth avenue, near Thirty-fourth street. So sudden was the descent that the men were thrown completely off their guard, and had to time to conceal anything. Riley's place was searched, which resulted in the finding of a large quantity of the base coin, from one cent to fifty cent pieces, together with coin metal, plaster dies, crucibles, material for finishing, iron ladles, and other apparatus. At Daniel Murphy's place was found \$10, mostly in ten cent pieces, and at Robert Murphy's house three bogus quarters, a box in which plaster dies had been manufactured, and one or two dies. Robert Murphy says that he gave Riley a cast worth \$3 to teach him the art of manufacturing the bogus coin, and that he has made large quantities of it.

About a week or two ago Robert Murphy became alarmed, and threw away a considerable amount of the money in an unoccupied coal-yard. A man living in Robert's house informed the officers that he had seen him make the money. One of this person's children brought home a small piece one day, and the father's curiosity being excited, he went into Murphy's room to see him operate. The prisoners, with the evidence of their crime, were yesterday afternoon taken before Justice Kelly, and committed to prison to await the action of the United States authorities in the premises.

The accused are all stage drivers on the Phoenix Line, and it is supposed that they have got rid of a large amount of the stuff in making change for passengers.

DESCENT UPON ANOTHER NOTORIOUS DANCE HOUSE.—At a late hour Friday, the police of the Fourth Precinct made a descent upon the notorious dance-house, No. 340 Water street, and arrested Herman Leulin, the proprietor thereof, and several of the inmates, whom they locked up in the Station-House. The descent was made upon the complaint of Mrs. Ann Coby, who alleged that she had recently arrived from Boston, with her two children and was seeking lodgings, when she was accosted by one Johnny McCarthy, who recommended Leulin's place as a good one to stop at. Not suspecting anything wrong, she accompanied him to the house. He whispered to the bartender, and then told her it was all right, he had hired a room for her, and she might go up stairs. She told him she did not wish him to hire it, as she was quite able to bear her own expense. Subsequently she went up stairs, and was followed by McCarthy, who thrust a wallet containing \$5 into her hand, and insisted upon her acceptance of it. She went down and got some liquor, and endeavored to induce her to drink it, but she positively refused. The fellow still lingering about the room, she intimated that it was time for him to go. Still he did not go, and at last she was obliged to order him peremptorily to leave the room. Soon after, feeling very weary, she placed her money (\$45 in gold, which she had earned as stewardess on a steamerboat) between the mattress and bed, and went to sleep with her children. At 11 o'clock she was awakened and saw the bartender standing by her bedside. He left very suddenly, and she discovered that her money was gone. In the morning she made known her loss to a woman of the house, who advised her to leave quietly without mentioning what had occurred, as it would injure her character if it were known that she had been so much in company with a man. She left and made complaint to the Mayor, who caused the arrest of Leulin as above stated. The parties were taken before Justice Connelley, on Saturday, and committed to prison to answer.

DROWNED MAN RECOVERED.—The body of Patrick Griffin, who was drowned last Thursday evening while bathing in the dock foot of Fifty-first street, E. R. was recovered on Saturday night by firing 25 rounds of cartridges over the spot where Griffin was drowned. Coroner Gamble held an inquest, and a verdict of accidental drowning was rendered by the jury. Griffin was 35 years of age and a native of Ireland.

SUPPOSED DEATH FROM VIOLENCE.—Coroner Connelley held an inquest on Saturday at No. 135 Ridge street upon the body of Mary Wignatier, a German woman 33 years of age, whose death is believed to have been caused by violence, but at whose hands could not be ascertained. Deceased was very intemperate, and on that account had frequent quarrels with her husband, but no evidence was adduced that he had ever struck her. Marks of violence were found on her head, neck and arm, and they are supposed to have been received by her during a struggle with her husband. The jury returned a verdict of death from violence.

CHAPTER OF CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.—It will be remembered that during one of the coldest days of February 1887, several convicts escaped from the State Prison at Sing Sing by crossing the Hudson River on ice. The officers of the prison were applied to the fact, and succeeded in capturing all except Thomas Sweeney, alias Winslow, who is now being unravelled. Last week the prison officers learned that a fellow named Sweeney's description was confined in jail in Boston on suspicion of burglary, and further investigation showed him to be the same person. He was returned to his old quarters. His escape expires on the 21st Sept. next, but he will probably be convicted and sentenced to another term on an indictment for attempting to break the jail on a former occasion. Since Winslow's escape it is stated that he has married a respectable lady at Boston, who was totally ignorant of his character, and of course is in great distress at the turn matters have taken.

Frederick Durkopp, a young gentleman boarding with the family of Frederick Briggs, No. 304 West Twenty-fourth street, was apprehended on Friday evening, charged with an indecent assault upon the person of Mr. B's daughter, a child eight years of age. The family, suspecting something wrong, watched Durkopp, and on Friday morning saw him leave his room, and enter the room occupied by the child, where he was found by Mrs. Briggs. The father was called, and but for the interference of some other occupants of the house, would have killed the fellow on the spot. In the excitement of the moment, Durkopp escaped, but was subsequently arrested in Washington street by Officers Perkins and Brown. Justice Quackenbush committed the accused for trial.

Mr. Donovan of the First Ward, who became security for Mr. Stephen H. Branch recently, in one of the criminal suits instituted against him for libel, surrendered the defendant on Saturday, and executed the bail-bonds. Justice Osborn allowed Mr. Branch to go in search of bail in charge of an officer, and at 5 o'clock in the evening he succeeded in procuring it—Mr. J. Preston of No. 146 Christopher street becoming his security. During the day the police were engaged in arresting the newsmen and boys who were selling *The Alligator*, and they were all taken before the Police Magistrate, who instructed them that the publication was libellous, and if they persisted in selling it, they would be liable to a criminal prosecution. With this advice they were discharged.

Margaret McCurdy was taken to the Hospital on Saturday suffering from a dislocation of the ankle, received by the fall of a bale of cotton upon her as she was passing No. 38 Pearl street.

Barney Malory was severely injured by falling from a shed in Oliver street, near Madison street, and taken to the Hospital.

Mease Lehman, a clerk in the employ of Charles Schultz, of No. 102 Spring street, was apprehended on Saturday charged with embezzlement. It is alleged that Mease collected \$500 from various customers of his employer and appropriated the money to his own use. Justice Brennan sent Mease to prison for examination.

Information was sent to the office of the Deputy Superintendent of Police on Saturday that counterfeiters and altered bills of several Eastern banks were in circulation in New York. The fact was immediately telegraphed to all the stations, and a description of the bills given. They consist of five of the Merchants' Bank of New York, altered to the same named bank of New Bedford, Mass.; counterfeit two of the Water-ville Bank of Waterville, Maine; vignette, two females on the left; at the top, a steamboat; on the bottom, a train of cars and on the right, a mill-race. Four of these bills were passed in Newark on Friday. Two on the Merchants' Bank of New York, R. I., have been in circulation in the city for several days past. During the morning, two men named Richard Clark and Wm. Peterson were arrested for passing one of the New York bills. Mr. Henry Glynn of No. 336 First avenue testified that they called at his store, and in payment for drinks tendered a \$2 bill on the Merchants' Bank of New York, receiving \$1.88 in good money. Discovering soon after that the bill was worthless, he followed the men and caused their arrest. Justice Brennan sent them to prison. Leonard Devree and Wm. Dulaney were also arrested for attempting to pass one of the bills in question on Henry Megeedert, and locked up.

James W. Sypher of Third Avenue was arrested Friday evening charged with obtaining \$100 worth of milk from John Forrest of W. 42nd street, Orange County, N. Y. by means of false and fraudulent representations. Mr. Forrest is a farmer and supplies dealers in all city milk and country produce. Sypher as he represented that he was of the firm of Sypher & Remsen and made arrangements for the purchase of milk, and by way of inducement said he owned two lots of ground in Brooklyn and a milk route. These representations were made Dec. 15, 1887, and being believed by Mr. Forrest he furnished milk from that time to Jan. 1888. It subsequently appeared by the affidavit of Mr. Remsen that the representations were false. Justice Quackenbush committed Sypher to prison.

An up-town resident, while returning home from a party in Brooklyn at a late hour Friday night, became very weary upon reaching the Park, and throwing himself upon one of the beds of clover, soon fell asleep. Just before daylight he awoke and found that he had been robbed of his watch and \$133. It is said that his beverage known as "yo chemie cobbler" was the principal cause of his weakness.

A man giving his name as Peter Brennan was found lying on the sidewalk in Chatham street, on Saturday night, by officers Burdett and Daniels of the Harbor Police. They conveyed him to his residence, as he was unable to go without assistance in consequence of injuries he had received. Brennan said that he had been stabbed in the back with a knife in the hands of an unknown ruffian who attempted to rob him as he was passing through the Park near the Hall of Records.

John Hammond and Michael Lifford were arrested yesterday by Officer Smith of the Tenth Precinct, charged with having stolen a pair of mules, valued at \$300, from the stable of Christian Kaimeyer of Jersey City. Justice Brennan, before whom the accused were taken, committed them to prison. The property was recovered.

John Mattfield, a school-boy 14 years of age, was arrested yesterday morning for stealing a porte-manteau containing \$20 and a pawn-ticket for a watch and chain from his parents, who reside at No. 35 Wooster street. Twenty-one dollars and the pawn-ticket were recovered and restored to the owner. The fellow was committed by Justice Brennan.

Mary Schmidt went into the store of Mr. Edwards, No. 27 Hudson street, on Saturday evening last, and during a momentary absence of the proprietor, she went behind the counter, as alleged, and stole a piece of black silk, valued at \$31. Mary said she merely took the silk to look at it, but the proprietor thought otherwise. Justice Kelly, before whom Mary was taken, committed her to prison.

Officer Deputy of the Twentieth Precinct on Saturday night arrested Charles Shroeman and — Turner, charged with passing 55 counterfeit bills on the Merchants' Bank of Providence, R. I., and the same Bank of Newport. Shroeman passed one of the bills on a greener named Bargomaster in payment for twenty cents' worth of potatoes, receiving good money in change. The officer found the fellow at his residence, charged him with the crime, and took him to the station at No. 224 Division street. It is supposed that the accused has got rid of between \$200 and \$300 of the counterfeit money and some of the money in Washington Market and in Tenth avenue. These counterfeit bills and those spoken of above are said to be manufactured in Philadelphia.

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TEAS.—The CANTON TEA COMPANY have on hand every variety of Tea for Grocers and Tea Dealers and put up in family packages. Selections and Young Hyson for New York, and Gunpowder and Oolong for the South. All other grades equally low. Address: 215 Nassau street, New York, or at the office and warehouse at No. 125 Chatham street, between Canal and Bowler.

AMUSEMENT.—To-night a truly excellent and stirring entertainment is to be given at FRODO'S NATIONAL THEATRE. The tragedy of Othello, with the two popular comedies, Mr. J. F. Taylor as Othello and Mr. R. Johnson as Iago. To be followed by KATHARINE and PETRUCHIO, R. Johnson as Petruchio and Miss. Plot as Katharine. Terminating with the Fable of HENRIETTA, A. F. E.

FREDERICK'S PHOTOGRAPH TEMPLE OF ART.—No. 55 and 57 Broadway, opposite Metropolitan Hotel. — PAINTING, ENGRAVING, LITHOGRAPHY, DRAWING, AND ALL ASSOCIATED ARTS IN EVERY STYLE.

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BROOKLYN ITEMS

ORERS IN BROOKLYN.—Arrangements are now in progress with the view of converting the old Brooklyn Museum into an opera-house. The agents of Mr. Luman, the lessee of the New York Academy of Music, are negotiating with the proprietor of the Museum for a lease of the building. The lecture and ballrooms are to be thrown into one; the upper floor is to be taken out, and the whole arranged in a manner suitable for the purpose intended. The expense of fitting it up is estimated at about \$10,000. The lease has not yet been agreed, but will probably be during the course of the week.

VIOLATING THE HEALTH LAWS.—On Saturday Health Warden Lott arrested Capt. Stevens of the lighter Olympia, lying at Atlantic Dock, for violating the Health Laws. The Board of Health passed a resolution on the 14th of July last forbidding all lighters engaged at Quarantine from coming into the city, in order to prevent the introduction of infectious diseases. The accused, it appears, had a load of hides, wool and men, from the ship Pacific, lying at Quarantine, and went to New York to get a permit. He was taken into custody on his return, and arraigned before Justice Bonney, who held him in \$500 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

VIOLENT ASSAULT.—The matter of a schooner lying at the foot of Washington street, named Corbell, was brought before Justice Voorhes on Saturday, on the charge of committing an unprovoked assault upon Peter Schupp, a cabman on board. It appears he called Schupp into the cabin, and then assaulted and beat him in the most brutal manner. The accused was convicted and fined \$25, or sixty days imprisonment. The fine was paid.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS.—The Board of Fire Commissioners have elected John L. Barnard Fire Commissioner, in place of Mr. Carter, resigned.

ALLEGED PERJURY.—Abraham L. Dunbar was arrested by Officer Morris of the Fifth Precinct on Saturday, on a charge of having committed perjury in a civil suit before a referee of the City Court, Wm. Vonn Pierce, when Mahon White was plaintiff. Complaint was made before Justice Fox, and Dunbar was held to answer.

OVERBOARD.—As one of the Pack ship boats was leaving the dock last evening about six o'clock a German attempted to reach the boat by a desperate leap, but instead was treated to a plunge bath. He was fished out by three of the bridge hands, and sustained no injury except serious damage to his light clothing.

SHORTLYING.—A young woman, who refused to give her name, saying she would die first, was arrested by Officer Van Nostrand of the Eighth Ward, on Saturday, for stealing from stores in Third avenue. She was committed.

RAISING THE WIND.—A young man recently employed as a bookkeeper in a well-known hotel at the Peck Slip Ferry has recently been devising various methods of raising funds, by practicing upon the credulous and kind-hearted public, and in the result of his former conduct with the aforesaid house, he has victimized a giddy number.

NEW-JERSEY ITEMS.

NEWARK MANUFACTURES FOR BRAZIL.—We understand that a gentleman from Brazil, contractor for the Brazilian Railroad, which is to be two hundred and twelve miles long, has been in this city for a few days past, and on Monday completed contracts with various firms for about \$100,000 worth of goods and materials for the railroad. The same gentleman, we understand, has ordered a large quantity of powder from the celebrated Duponts, and has six steam engines in construction in Virginia. The Rogers Locomotive Company of Paterson are just completing a lot of cotton machinery to go to a factory near Quito, in Bolivia, South America. Mr. L. Holmes of this city has also forwarded a turbine wheel for driving the works. Some idea of the magnitude of the enterprise may be gathered from the fact that the circumference of the wheel on which this mill will be situated falls more than six thousand feet in a course of twenty-five miles. [Newark Advertiser.]

THE EDITORIAL CONVENTION.—The Committee of Arrangements for the Editorial Convention to be held in Paterson on the 12th of August, have received letters from the Camden and Amboy Railroad Company, and the New Jersey Railroad Company, tendering free passes on these roads to all who purpose attending the Convention. This courtesy has been withheld by the President of the Erie Railroad, but the Directors of the Paterson and New York Plankroad have adopted a more generous policy, and will tender free passes to all who choose to pass over that road. [Newark Evening Journal.]

CROWDS AT CAPE ISLAND.—The number of visitors at Cape Island is now very large, and single gentlemen are obliged to take up with almost any accommodations—occupying seats in halls, billiard rooms, &c. Congress Hall and the Columbian, it is stated, have together some 1,500 boarders, and the others are proportionably crowded. Gov. Parker of Pennsylvania and family are at the latter place. [Newark Evening Journal.]

LAW INTELLIGENCE

THE WEST WASHINGTON MARKET CONTROVERSY.

APPOINTMENT OF A RECEIVER.—Before Judge

SUPREME COURT.—On July 31.—Before Judge

The People, ex. rel. Taylor & Brennan vs. The Mayor, &c., and others.

In this case Judge Davis delivered an elaborate opinion. He says: The chief officer of the city and chief financial officer have united in the opinion that the Corporation have no title to the premises, and in that view the Court concurs. It is clearly for the interest of all concerned that a Receiver should be appointed to hold the funds for the party ultimately adjudged entitled to them, that I entertain no doubt of my duty in the premises. The case being novel and important, I have consulted with two of my colleagues of this District, who concur with me in the result at which I have arrived. An order will therefore be entered appointing Cyrus Curtis, esq., Receiver of the rents and profits of the premises, the subjects of this action, with authority to let the same from time to time, not over six months, and to collect the rents and profits thereof, who have accrued since the commencement of this suit; that the defendants and all persons in possession of said premises, return them to said Receiver, and that he be let into the possession thereof. The said Receiver is to file with bonds for the faithful performance of his duties, with two sureties to be named by the Court, in the sum of \$20,000, and that he deposit all moneys received by him from time to time, when the amount shall equal the sum of \$5,000, with the United States Trust Company.

SUPERIOR COURT.—Special Term.—July 31.—Before Judge

DECISION IN RE RECEIPTS.—On July 31, 1888, the Court decided in favor of the City of New York in the case of the City of New York vs. the City of New York, &c., &c.

James H. Giltroy vs. N. E. Smith et al.—Case continued.

David Lee vs. Arnold Wood et al.—This case must be settled on appeal.

Wm. H. Meeks vs. W. H. Vandoren.—Ordered that the case be presented by the plaintiff to be presented to the Court on the 1st of August.

Thomas R. Rie vs. Mary A. Shanks.—Motion to dismiss denied.

SUPREME COURT.—On July 31.—Before Judge

James W. Paige vs. J. L. Lewis O. Wilson et al.—Referred to H. P. Hunt, esq., to report the examination, &c.

The San Antonio vs. The Motion to dismiss the complaint denied.

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